



Media Release

32% OF MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HOMES EMPLOYEES ARE SPOUSES OR VETERANS

(Fort Drum, NY) June 27, 2005-- Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes (FDMCH) has been extremely successful in finding qualified individuals in the local market to serve the families stationed at Fort Drum. Many of those hired are military spouses and veterans. To date, thirty spouses and veterans are employed with FDMCH.

"We've made veteran and spouse hiring a priority," FDMCH Asset Manager, Joe McLaughlin said. "Having members of our team who have experienced a deployment and understand the hardships is a tremendous asset helping us to better serve Army families."

FDMCH currently has ninety-five employees. Twelve percent of these employees are veterans and twenty percent are spouses. Job openings are still available and can be found on our website: www.fortdrummch.com.

"One of the best advantages of working for Mountain Community Homes is the breadth and depth of the nationwide and global network available through our company," FDMCH Director of Property Management, Brian Becchio said. "The skills learned in development and property management, provide more opportunity when their Soldier is stationed at another installation to transfer employment."

Actus Lend Lease and Lend Lease Residential are the employers for FDMCH. These companies currently provide asset and property management services at seven military projects across the nation.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for spouses, who move into the area, not having established networks," McLaughlin said. "We can put their expertise to work quickly and they are able to develop valuable skills for long term career development. For veterans, this is a fantastic way to make a smooth transition to the private sector. "

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